

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 12, 24, 33, and 39 are currently being amended.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-51 remain pending in this application.

Claims 1-51 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0212311 to Nova et al. (hereinafter “Nova”). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection for at least the following reasons.

In accordance with embodiments of the present invention, a signal from a monitoring device includes a general broadcast emergency signal. Further, in accordance with embodiments of the present invention, as described in the specification, “mobile devices within communication range of the monitoring device 100 can be configured to relay this message” Specification, paragraph [0021]. Thus, the emergency broadcast signal can be received by mobile devices which can transmit the message to, for example, a medical facility. Accordingly, independent claim 1 recites “receiving at a mobile wireless event handling device, a first signal” Further, independent claim 12 recites a system comprising “a mobile wireless event handling device.” Independent claim 24 has been amended to recite “a transmitter transmitting a signal ... for receipt by mobile devices.” Independent claim 33 recites a mobile wireless event handling device. Further, independent claim 39 has been amended to recite “receiving a first signal in the mobile wireless event handling device from a monitor.”

In sharp contrast, Nova fails to teach or suggest at least this feature of independent claims 1, 12, 24, 33 and 39. Nova relates to a therapy-delivering device which can trigger and communicate with an alarm system, "such as a residential or business alarm system." See Nova, ¶ [0022]. In this regard, the therapy-delivering device communicates with a fixed central station, not a mobile device. There is no teaching or suggestion of any mobile device in the system disclosed by Nova. Accordingly, Nova fails to teach or suggest at least the above-noted feature of independent claims 1, 12, 24, 33 and 39.

Thus, claims 1, 12, 24, 33 and 39 are patentable. Claims 2-11, 42-44 and 47 depend, either directly or indirectly, from allowable claim 1 and are, therefore, patentable for at least that reason, as well as for additional patentable features when those claims are considered as a whole. Similarly, claims 13-23, 45 and 48 depend from allowable claim 12, claims 25-32, 46 and 49 depend from allowable claim 24, claims 34-38 and 50 depend from allowable claim 33, and claims 40-41 and 51 depend from allowable claim 39. Therefore, claims 13-23, 25-32, 34-38 and 40-51 are patentable for at least that reason, as well as for additional patentable features when those claims are considered as a whole.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37

C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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